NEMMARA HIGH SCHOOL—MASAPADIES' QUARTERS—PROVISION OF.

154. Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Nemmara):* Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is not a fact that masapadies are expected to reside in the school premises in all Government Educational Institutions ;

(*b*) whether accommodation is not provided in the school buildings for that purpose by the construction of masapadies' quarters ;

(*c*) whether there is any masapadies' quarters in the High School, Nemmara ;

(*d*) if the answer to (*c*) is in the negative will the Government make provision for that purpose ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* (*a*) There is no such general rule. They are only expected to watch over the buildings, etc., especially at night. But when there are proper quarters the masapadies reside in the school premises.

(*b*) Where possible, quarters are provided for masapadies.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) The question will be taken up, as funds permit.

DEAF AND DUMB SCHOOL, KUNNAMKULAM—GRANT FOR.

155. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* With reference to sub-division (*f*) of question No. 414 of 30th March 1939, will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) (i) what is the total amount of grant payable in 1113 according to the terms of the letter of the Director of Public Instruction ;

(ii) whether this amount of grant has been subsequently paid;

(*b*) whether the grant according to the terms of the letter of the Director was paid in 1114, and if not, (i) did not the Manager apply or make representation for payment of the grant according to the terms in the Director's letter referred to ; (ii) what is the total amount of grant payable in 1114 according to the terms of the aforesaid letter ; (iii) whether the Manager's representations in 1939 on the subject addressed to the Inspector of Schools (Northern Division) as also to the Director of Public Instruction be printed and placed on the table ;

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(*c*) whether stipend is still being given to Cochinite pupils in the School for the Deaf and Dumb at Palamcottah; and if so;

(*d*) what is the monthly stipend given for each pupil and whether it is paid in 12 monthly instalments, and if not how is it paid;

(*e*) whether it is the policy of the Government to render more financial encouragement to a school outside the State than the one in the State;

(*f*) whether the terms of the grant contained in the Director's letter referred to above be given effect to from the beginning of 1114; and if not, (i) for what reason; and (ii) whether they will be given effect to from the beginning of next year?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* (*a*) (i) The total amount for 1113 comes to roughly Rs. 600.

(ii) No.

(*b*) No.

(i) Yes.

(ii) About Rs. 900.

(iii) Copies of the Manager's letters dated 15th February 1939, 15th March 1939 and 29th April 1939 are appended. (*Appendix I*).

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise.

(*e*) Does not arise.

(*f*) No. (i) for want of funds.

(ii) The matter is under consideration.

156. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to print and place on the table:—

(*a*) (i) a copy of the letter, dated 15th February, 1939 addressed to the Diwan of Cochin through the Director of Public Instruction by the Manager of the School for the Deaf and Dumb;

(ii) the Government reply thereto;

(iii) a copy of the letter dated 15th March 1939 from the Manager of the School to the Director of Public Instruction; and state;

(*b*) whether the Manager had not requested to forward his representation to the Diwan of Cochin and if so, whether it was accordingly forwarded to him;

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and if so, when;

(*c*) whether the grant of Rs. 1,000 provided in the budget for the current year and passed by the Legislative Council for giving grant to the School for the Deaf and Dumb—(vide (*a*) page 12, explanatory memorandum by the Finance Member on the Budget Estimates for 1114 M. E. "Special Grant of Rs. 1,000....to the Deaf and Dumb School at Kunnamkulam (*b*) page 24, item No. 17, a provision of Rs. 1,000 for contribution to the School for the Deaf and Dumb at Kunnamkulam)—be utilised for the same purpose in the current year, namely, for giving grant according to the terms of grant recommended by the Director of Public Instruction in his letter D. No. 8493 of 1112 dated 11th February 1937 and if not;

(*d*) what is the reason for not utilising the amount for the purpose for which it was specifically provided in the budget and also passed by the Legislative Council;

( ) whether the vote of the Legislative Council has been obtained for utilising the amount for some other purpose than for which it was passed by the Council;

(*f*) whether immediate orders be passed for utilising the amount of Rs. 1,000 provided in giving grant to the School for the Deaf and Dumb in 1114 according to the terms of grant contained in the Director's letter afore-mentioned;

(*g*) whether grant-in-aid be given to the school during the next year according to the terms of the Director's letter referred to; and if not, whether it is not mentioned in the Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction dated 22nd March 1939, D. No. 12607/14 "that full provision will be made in the Budget for 1115 for the enhanced grant;"

(*h*) whether necessary amount had been provided for the purpose in the Budget for the ensuing year; and if not, why?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) (i) A copy is Appended. *(Appendix I).*

(ii) A copy of the Government Proceedings is appended *(Appendix II).*

(iii) A copy is appended. *(Appendix I).*

(*b*) Yes.

Yes.

On 3rd March 1939.

(*c*) No. For, the amount of Rs. 1,000 is not to be given to the School for the Deaf and Dumb alone.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of answer to (*c*).

(*e*) Does not arise.

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(*f*) No. The amount of Rs. 1,000 is for two schools.

(*g*) The matter is under consideration.

The second part of this question does not arise.

(*h*) The matter is under consideration.

MAHARAJA'S COLLEGE—NEW HAND FOR MALAYALAM—APPOINTMENT OF.

157. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether any new hand for Malayalam is going to be appointed in the Maharaja's College, Ernakulam ;

(*b*) the names of the applicants for the posts referred to in clause (*a*) ;

(*c*) the number of applicants for the post referred to in clause (*a*) from the Catholic community ; and

(*d*) whether there is any Catholic now in service either in Malayalam or Sanskrit section of the Maharaja's College, Ernakulam ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) Does not arise.

(*d*) No.

MOTOR BOATS PLYING NEAR WILLINGDON ISLAND—USE OF SILENCER.

158. മിസ്റ്റർ ബി. എം ചീറൻ : താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ഗവൺമെണ്ടു ദയവായി മറുപടി പറയുമോ:—

(എ) വില്ലിങ്ങ്ഡൺ ഐലണ്ടിന്റെ അടുത്തു് കായലിൽകൂടി രാത്രികാലങ്ങളിൽ മോട്ടോർ ബോട്ടുകൾ സഞ്ചരിക്കുന്നതെങ്കിൽ സൈലൻസർ വെച്ചു കൊള്ളണമെന്നു ബോട്ടുടമസ്ഥന്മാർക്കു വല്ല നിർദ്ദേശവും അയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(ബി) ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അവിടെ സഞ്ചരിക്കുമ്പോൾമാത്രം സൈലൻസർ വെച്ചുകൊണ്ടു കൊച്ചിയിലെ പൊതുജനവലിക്കു സിദ്ധിക്കുന്ന മെച്ചമെന്താണെന്നു പ്രസ്താവിക്കുവാൻ ഗവൺമെണ്ടിനു മനസ്സുണ്ടാകുമോ ?

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. അരവിന്ദാക്ഷമേനോൻ : (എ) ഉവ്വ്. എന്നാൽ സാധാരണയായി പരിശോധന കഴിഞ്ഞാൽ ബോട്ടുകളിലെ സൈലൻസർ മാറ്റിവെക്കുന്നതായി കാണുകയാൽ എല്ലാ ബോട്ടുകളിലും സൈലൻസർ വേണമെന്നു നിഷ്കർഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

(ബി) മേൽപറഞ്ഞ മറുപടികൊണ്ടു ഈ ചോദ്യത്തിനു ഉത്തരം ആവശ്യമില്ല.

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proceedings. While the estimate was under preparation by the P. W. D. a petition complaining against the alignment of the road was received and this alignment question is pending consideration of the present Road Board.

(*c*) Yes; there have been representations both urging, and objecting to, the construction of the road.

(*d*) The Government would bestow due attention in the matter.

POTHUNDI IRRIGATION SCHEME—REASON FOR NOT PROCEEDING WITH.

160. Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Nemmara):* Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether there was at one time a proposal to start and work up an Irrigation Scheme in Nemmara known as the Pothundi Irrigation Scheme;

(*b*) what was the estimated cost of the scheme;

(*c*) why was the scheme not put through?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 9,55,000 plus Rs. 39,500.

(*c*) This scheme was for the time postponed.

മിസ്റ്റർ ബി. എം. പീറർ: ഈ സ്കീം കൊണ്ട് ഉദ്ദേശം എത്ര ഏക്കർ സ്ഥലത്തിനു ഇണം കിട്ടും?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The original scheme for Rs. 9,55,000 would benefit about 4500 acres.

മിസ്റ്റർ ബി. എം. പീറർ: അതു് ഉടനെ നടപ്പാക്കുവാൻ ഗവർമ്മെണ്ടിനു ഒരുദ്ദേശമുണ്ടോ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* This scheme has now been forwarded to the Irrigation Board for their opinion.

APPENDIX I.

(Please see answers to Questions Nos. 155 and 156).

(1)

Letter dated 15th February 1939, from the Manager, School for the Deaf and Dumb.

Let me state at the outset that the School for the Deaf and Dumb is an entirely different institution from the school for the Blind. Apart from the fact that the pupils in each school are different, the methods of teaching have nothing in common and the teaching staff also is separate. The schools have nothing to do with one

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another and are independent of one another. This fact I had brought to the attention of the Director of Public Instruction in my letter dated 29th January 1937, written before the school for the Deaf and Dumb was opened.

The Education Survey Committee appointed by the Government had emphasised in their report—vide paras 151 and 152—the necessity of making arrangement for the education of defective children. To quote their words "some scheme for the education of these children would be a blessing to them and would be looked upon with pleasure and gratitude". In view of these words, the Government was approached in regard to the opening of a school for the Deaf and Dumb in the State; and requested to fix the grant that would be given to such an institution. After considering all the facts and the stipend that is being given to the Cochinites in the school for the Deaf and Dumb at Palamcottah which is Rs. 6 per mensem per pupil, the Director of Public Instruction recommended a monthly grant of Rs. 25 towards the salary of the teacher in the first year and Rs. 5 for each resident boarder up to a maximum of Rs. 50 which the Government was pleased to approve. Accordingly orders were passed and the Director was instructed to make necessary provision in the Budget for 1113. Further, copies of the Director's letter and of the Government Order were communicated to me with a view to make early arrangements for the opening of the school for the Deaf and Dumb. A copy thereof is enclosed for your ready reference.

Thus the school was opened in August, 1937, on the definite understanding that grant will be given as per terms contained in the Director's letter and approved of by the Government. In spite of this fact no grant was given to the school which had been recognised from the date of its opening, till August 1938, on the ground that no amount had been provided in the budget for the purpose.

Now, notwithstanding that necessary amount has been provided in the Budget for 1114, full grant as per the terms of the Director's letter referred to above is not being given, which, to say the least, is rather very discouraging. In this connection I beg to invite your kind attention to the Explanatory Memorandum by the Finance Member on the Budget Estimate for 1114 M. E. in which on page 21, it is mentioned: "SPECIAL GRANTS OF Rs. 1,000 EACH ....TO THE DEAF AND DUMB SCHOOL AT KUNNAMKULAM ARE ALSO PROVIDED". Again on page 24, item No. 17 is a provision of Rs. 1,000 for CONTRIBUTION TO THE SCHOOL FOR DEAF AND DUMB AT KUNNAMKULAM. This amount I may mention is sufficient for paying the grant during 1114 according to the terms of Government communications referred to above.

In the circumstances I humbly request that the Government may be pleased to utilise the amount of Rs. 1,000 provided in the Budget for 1114 and passed by the Legislative Council, for giving grant to the school for the Deaf and Dumb, and not for any other purpose; and further, not allow any portion thereof to lapse.

In view of the fact that the amount provided in the Budget is sufficient for paying the grant during the current budget year as per terms of the recommendation of the Director of Public Instruction, approved of by the Government, I request that early orders may be passed to pay the grant from the beginning of 1114 according to those terms, namely "a monthly grant of Rs. 25 towards the salary of the teacher..and Rs. 5 for each resident boarder up to a maximum of Rs. 50."

P. S. I am sending this letter direct to the Director of Public Instruction since no reply has been received to the representation dated 27th December last submitted to the Inspector of Schools, Northern Division, on the subject, followed by a reminder.

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(2)

Letter dated 15th March 1939 from the Manager, School for the Deaf and Dumb, Kunnamkulam.

In acknowledging receipt of a copy of your Proceedings, dated 28th February, 1939, D. 6769/1114, I beg to invite your kind attention to my representation dated 15th item in which it has been pointed out that this institution is distin ct and separate from the School for the Blind, that in the budget for the current year an amount of Rs. 1,000 is clearly and definitely provided for giving grant to this institution. (Vide *page 12, Explanatory Memorandum by the Finance Member on the Budget Estimates for 1114 M. E.—Special Grant of Rs. 1,000..... to the Deaf and Dumb School at Kunnamkulam and page 24. Item No. 17. A provision of Rs. 1,000 for Contribution to the School for the Deaf and Dumb at Kunnamkulam*)—and that this amount may be utilised for giving grant to this institution according to the terms of grant sanctioned by the Government before the opening of the school—Director's letter D. No. 8493/12, dated 11th February 1937 and Government Proceedings, D. Dis 11514/12, dated 15th February 1937. The amount may be utilised as follows according to the terms of grant sanctioned.

For 10 pupils at Rs. 5 each a month		Rs. 50
Teaching grant per mensem		Rs. 25
	Total	Rs. 75
Amount for a year	Rs. 900	

Regarding the balance of Rs. 100 out of the amount of Rs. 1,000 provided for giving grant to this institution, I beg to mention that in my letter, dated 15th January 1938, I had requested the Director of Public Instruction to sanction Rs. 100 toward meeting the expenses of sending a teacher as a delegate from the State to the Convens tion of the Teachers of the Deaf and Dumb in India and that you had in your Proceedings dated 31st March, 1938 L. Dis. 12381/13 intimatedme that "the request is noted". Though this Convention of Teachers was not held in December last as first announced, I understand that arrangements are being made to hold it at an early date.

The Legislative Council passed the budget provision of Rs. 1,000 for giving grant to this institution and I request you not to utilise this amount for any other purpose.

In view of the above facts, you may kindly forward my representation of 15th ultimo to the Diwan to whom it is addressed through you together with this letter and I request that the Government may be pleased to pass early orders sanctioning payment of grant from the beginning of the current year 1114 according to the terms of the Director's letter referred to above and approved of by the Government. In doing so, the Government will be carrying out the Proceedings passed by them even before this school was opened and on the strength of which this institution was started, utilising the amount of Rs. 1,000 for the purpose for which it was definitely and clearly provided and respecting the wishes and acting according to the vote of the Legislature. I need hardly add that it will also be an act of saving this institution from unnecessary financial difficulties.

(3)

Letter dated 29th April 1939 from the Manager, School for the Deaf and Dumb, Kunnamkulam.

I have to thank you and the Diwan very much for making it convenient to visit the School for the Deaf and Dumb and after an inspection to note that it is making steady progress and to understand its immediate needs and necessities.

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About two years have passed since the opening of the school and during this period there has been a steady increase in the number of pupils. Satisfied with the progress made, Government have been pleased to sanction opening Class II from the beginning of the educational year 1114—1115.

During the current year there has been a strength of 10 pupils uniformly even though grant for nine pupils only was drawn for three months on account of the temporary absence of one of the pupils. Towards the latter part of the year there were applications for admission, but since the Government have restricted the grant to ten pupils they were advised to wait till the beginning of the educational year 1114—1115.

The pupils who have hitherto joined and the children seeking admission are so poor that they are unable to pay any fee and in the circumstances I regret that no new admissions can be made without getting aid from Government for more than the present number.

The promotion list has been forwarded to the Inspector of Schools, Northern Division, Trichur, according to which there will be six pupils in Class II and in Class I the remaining four who are not yet fit for promotion to Class II.

In the circumstances, it is possible to admit to Class I six pupils more or a maximum of eight making the strength of Class I twelve. More than twelve deaf mutes cannot be put in a Class.

It is very expensive to run a school for deaf mutes, especially so when they are so poor that they cannot contribute anything towards school fee or board or lodging. To those who are already admitted, the school is a home, for all their needs including school uniforms, books, medical aid, etc., are attended to.

I would request you to increase the number of pupils who will be given grant by the Government at the rate of Rs. 5 per mensem from the beginning of 1115 from ten to 18 so that the maximum number of 12 pupils may be in Class I from the beginning of next year.

P. S. I am sending this direct to you as the budget proposals for 1115 will soon be finally considered by the Government."

APPENDIX II.

[*Please see answer to Question No. 156 (a) (ii)*].

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF COCHIN.

Development Department.

Grant—The School for the Deaf and Dumb—Kunnamkulam.

Read letter D. 6769/14, dated 3rd March 1939 from the Director of Public Instruction.

Order L. Dis. 13721/14, dated 11th March 1939.

Recorded.

(By order of the Government of Cochin)

(*Sd.*) *Deputy Secretary.*

To

The Director of Public Instruction.

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